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In re Application of: Noel and Verdecia

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For: CRYSTAL STRUCTURE OF WW  
DOMAINS AND METHODS OF USE  
THEREOF

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**DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.132**

Sir:

We, Joseph P. Noel and Mark A. Verdecia, being duly warned, hereby declare and say  
that:

1. I, Joseph P. Noel, am a citizen of the United States, residing in San Diego, CA. I  
am currently employed by the Salk Institute for Biological Studies as a Professor in the  
Structural Biology Laboratory.

2. I, Mark A. Verdecia, am a citizen of the United States, residing in San Diego, CA.  
I am currently employed by the Salk Institute for Biological Studies as a research associate. I  
was a graduate student in the laboratory of Joseph P. Noel from May 1, 1997 through  
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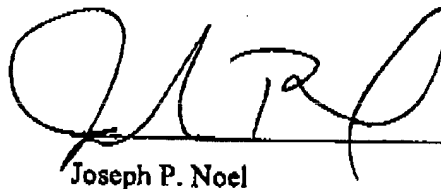
3. We are the sole co-inventors of the invention disclosed and claimed in the above-referenced application.

4. We are familiar with the publication entitled "Structural basis for phosphoserine-proline recognition by group IV WW domains", Verdecia *et al.*, *Nature Struct. Biol.* 7:639-643, 2000. We understand that this publication discloses subject matter relating to the present application, and that this publication has been cited as prior art against the present application by the Examiner.

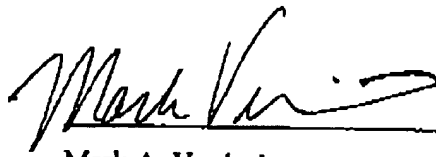
5. The Verdecia *et al.* publication is the result of the work of Joseph P. Noel and Mark A. Verdecia. The additional co-authors were merely conducting experiments under our direction and supervision.

6. We individually further declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent resulting therefrom.

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